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conclusions reached in respect to the groups studied be extended to the poor as a whole.

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NEW BOOKS

MOUNTS, L. H. *Dependents, defectives and delinquents in Iowa. A study of the sources of social infection.* University of Iowa Studies. Studies in the Social Sciences, vol. VII, no. 2. (Iowa City, Iowa: The University. 1919. Pp. 166. 85c.)

This monograph covers material relating to crime, juvenile delinquency, alcoholism, indoor relief, tuberculosis, insanity and feeble-mindedness. It contains a large number of statistical tables derived from the information given in the various local and state public reports dealing with problems of social welfare. The author admits the unreliability of some of the statistics and a casual glance at the tables must lead the reader to similar conclusions. The tables, therefore, have a rather limited value and the deductions drawn are not entirely convincing.

A considerable part of the report is devoted to a study of the differences between urban and rural communities. According to the statistics, rural conditions are usually superior to those prevailing in the cities. In explaining the causes of these differences the author seemed somewhat handicapped. He concludes that the presence of a population of foreign parentage is not an important factor and that manufacturing industry has had little weight. His figures, however, indicate that mining and a mining population have seriously affected the rates of criminality and dependency. These conclusions are largely negative and leave much undiscovered. Additional analysis is necessary to discover the preventable causes of the relatively high rates of defectiveness, delinquency, and poverty in the urban centers. The influence of constructive social work is clearly apparent in some of the cities and indicates the usefulness of the social worker.

This monograph hardly realizes the aim expressed in the subtitle, and Iowans are not specially enlightened as to the particular conditions which should be removed. On the other hand they should become convinced as to the general inadequacy of the present statistical information in their state, to the carelessness or ignorance of local officials, and the varying policies among the different counties.

The subject-matter is presented in simple readable form save for the persistent intrusion after the general tables of a coefficient of correlation according to "Spearman's formula." Being the only attempt at technical statistics it savors somewhat of pedantry, while its practical advantages to most readers will be negligible. The monograph closes with a number of constructive suggestions.

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New York state conference of charities and correction, December, 1918, proceedings. (Albany. 1919. Pp. 247.)

Socialism and Co-operative Enterprises

NEW BOOKS

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BATDORF, J. W. *The truth about the rising cost of foods; the remedy through organization methods; coöperative community council stores.* (New York: Anti-Socialist Press. 1919. Pp. 30. 10c.)

BEVAN, E. *German social democracy during the war.* (New York: Dutton. 1919. Pp. 280. \$2.50.)

CANNAN, E. *Coal nationalisation.* (London: King. 1919. 2s.)

KERENSKII, A. F. *The prelude to bolshevism, the Kornilov rebellion.* (London: Unwin. 1919. Pp. 318.)

MILLER, E. C. *The socialists.* (New York: The author, 115 Bank St. 1919. Pp. 32.)

NEILSON, F. *The old freedom.* (New York: Huebsch. 1919. Pp. 176. \$1.)

Combats socialists who slight the significance of land and capital. Contains chapters on: Great Britain and labour; Georges Sorel and syndicalism; Karl Marx and socialism; and Fabianism versus state socialism.

PHELPS, E. M. *Selected articles on government ownership of railroads.* Debaters' handbook series. (New York: H. W. Wilson Co. 1919. Pp. 200. \$1.50.)

RADZIWILL, E. R. *The firebrand of bolshevism; the true story of the Bolsheviks and the forces that directed them.* (Boston: Small, Maynard. 1919. Pp. 293. \$2.)

RUSSELL, C. E. *Bolshevism and the United States.* (Indianapolis: Bobbs-Merrill. 1919. Pp. 341. \$1.50.)

SHADWELL, A. *Coal mines and nationalisation.* (London: Longmans. 1919. 1s.)

VICTOROV-TOPOROV, V. *La première année de la révolution russe.* (Paris: Fischbacher. 1919.)

WALKER, G. L. *Capitalism versus bolshevism.* (Boston: Dukelow & Walker Co., 246 Washington St. 1919. \$1.)

Bolshevik aims and ideals and Russia's revolt against bolshevism. (New York: Macmillan. 1919. Pp. 89. \$1.)

The coöperatives in Russia. A power for the reconstruction of Russia's economic life. (New York: American Committee of the Russian Coöperative Union, 136 Liberty St. 1919.)